Subject No. 200.

Gomal land at Challakere taken up by Plantation Department.

Summary of discussion.—Out of the Gomal lands allowed for the cattle of Challakere village, 210 acres have been taken up for a plantation and 28 acres for the new Taluk Cutcherry. The land selected for the plantation is not favorable to the growth of trees. Moreover, cattle cannot easily be prevented from trespassing on it as it is in close proximity to the town. It is, therefore, desired that the land should be ordered to be given back to raiyats for grazing purposes, another suitable land being selected for plantation purposes.

Dewan's reply.—Will be referred to Deputy Commissioner for disposal.

Subject No. 201.

Taluk Cutcherry building at Hiriyur.

Summary of discussion.—The Taluk Cutcherry building at Hiriyur is far from the old town and this is inconvenient to the people in general. Its locality is also unhealthy owing to its close proximity to the Krishnambudhi Tank. The Travellers' Bungalow at Hiriyur should be ordered to be converted into Taluk Cutcherry. The present Taluk Cutcherry building may be utilized for any other purpose, the Deputy Commissioner supported the proposal.

Dewan's reply.—The alterations necessary, render the proposal too costly.

Subject No. 202.

Dispensary building and Musafarkhana at Hiriyur.

Summary of discussion.—The Local Fund Dispensary at Hiriyur is now located in a portion of the Musafarkhana. The Hospital Assistant lives far from the dispensary. This is very inconvenient to the public. When travellers come in large members, the noise and confusion are great and deters female patients from going to the dispensary. Moreover, there is no accommodation available for in-patients. It is, therefore, suggested that the whole of this building be made over for the dispensary. The Hospital Assistant may also reside in a portion of it. The Overseer's lodge at Hiriyur, which is always vacant, may be converted into a Musafarkhana.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will report on this.

Subject No. 203.

Government loans for repairing old wells and Saguvalikattes.

Summary of discussion.—The rules regarding the grant of loans to agriculturists have been a great boon to the people of Mysore. But the authorities refuse to grant loans for repairing old wells and Saguvalikattes and state that loans can be granted only for new works. This is very inconvenient. In the Taluk of Hiriyur, the majority of wells require repairs. Therefore people desire that orders may be issued for the grant of loans to repair old wells and Saguvalikattes for this Taluk as a special case.

Dewan's reply.—This can be done if funds permit. But the allotments are limited, and new works must have preference. The object is to afford encouragement to new land being brought under irrigation. The owner of an existing well

does not stand in need of help for maintaining it as much as the man who has no well at all and wishes to construct one for irrigating his dry crop land. If there is any surplus in the allotment after advancing for new works, it can be made available for repairs. Those who require loans for repairing existing wells can, however, apply under the Land Improvement Act.

Subject No. 204.
Fort wall and ditch at Hiriyur.

Summary of discussion.—A Government grant is required for dismantling the Fort wall and filling the Fort ditch at Hiriyur. Municipal funds are not available, but the work is necessary on sanitary grounds. It should be carried out from the Sanitary Budget.

Dewan's reply.—This cannot be done.

Subject No. 205.
Pay of Tank Inspectors.

Summary of discussion.—Tank Inspectors now get only Rs. 12 or 15 per month, which is not sufficient to enable them to maintain a horse. Their pay may be increased.

Dewan's reply.—The necessity of this is doubtful. The point will be considered with others relating to Taluk establishments.

Subject No. 206.
(a) Tank required near Kittadahalli.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*). The construction of a tank near Kittadahalli of the Lakkihalli Sammat has been under contemplation for a long time past, but no final orders have been passed as yet. It is desired that the project should be soon taken in hand. The Marikanave Project would not benefit the people of the Lakkihalli Sammat.

(b) Tank required near Huvinahole.

(*b*) The construction of a tank near Huvinahole by throwing a dam across the halla, which passes near that village, will be very beneficial both to the people and to the Government. The Marikanave Project will not cover this part of the Taluk, as the rivers Vedavati and Suvarnamukhi are in the way.

(c) Feeder to Dharmapur Amanikere.

(*c*) The Dharmapur Amanikere Tank is a large one in the Hiriyur Taluk. The sources of water-supply have been greatly diminished after some of the tanks in the Sira Taluk were restored. Therefore, it is suggested that a channel should be drawn to this tank from the river Suvarnamukhi.

(d) Tanks in Hiriyur Taluk generally.

(*d*) Hiriyur is a purely Maidan Taluk with a precarious rain-fall, and the first to be affected by famine. Even when there is good rain, all the tanks do not retain a proper supply of water as many of them are out of order. Sluices of several tanks are either leaky or entirely out of repair. Some special arrangements are needed for the restoration of the tanks in this Taluk, whether small or large.